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## BECKHAM IN THE ELEVENTH

Felt Details of the Outpouring of the Masses and Grand Parade at Russell Springs.

(To the Editor of The Herald.)

Having known for several days that the Governor would honor our town with his presence, all things were in holiday attire. But as the party arrived late on the evening of the 8th, no committee was sent out to meet him, and none was on the streets to do him honor when he arrived. The Governor and party drove quietly to the Payne Hotel and at once retired.

Early this morning the people began to arrive, and came from Columbia, Jamestown, Esto, Dunnville and the surrounding country until at least forty people gathered at the hotel and on the large and beautiful grounds to shake hands with and make encouraging and even flattering speeches to his Excellency. He did not speak here, but had an appointment at our county town, six miles away, for 1 o'clock p. m. So it was agreed that the party would form in line with his Excellency in front, and parade our principal paths before starting to Jamestown. After much bustle and confusion the parade was formed and started up Main street in the following order:

No Band.  
Governor's carriage, containing his Excellency, Hon. Ollie James, the Hon. F. Wade and a livery boy from Liberty.

Second carriage, containing the Hon. "Dick" Warren and little son.

Third carriage, omitted because was nobody to ride in it.

Advance guard on foot, 60 men.

Main body of marchers, 600 men.

Rear guard on foot, 60 men.

Among the notable incidents of the parade was the lifting by Gov. Beckham of his hat to three old ladies standing at a cottage gate. No other episode worth mentioning occurred.

This was Gov. Beckham's warm reception in the Eleventh district. Col. Belknap, take warning. If the Governor thus sets the river on fire and there is not a great cooling down before November, what will the harvest be?

### BILL THRIFTY.

Russell Springs, Sept. 9.

Russell Springs, Ky., Sept. 22, 1903.

Editor News:

Annals, in his palmiest days, could not have gotten up a lie more completely than the above from the pen of Col. Bill Thrifty. Taking a lie for a text the foxey Colonel interspersed other lies throughout his dilution on the visit of Governor Beckham recently. To begin with no one knew that Gov. Beckham would visit Russell Springs, as there are other and more direct routes to the county seat from Liberty than via this place, and of course the hotel people were not expecting the honor of a visit by the Governor, supposing he would take the most direct route to Jamestown. Col. Thrifty evidently must have been greatly confused by the presence of Chief Executive and got badly mixed or perhaps he sees through a glass darkly, as indicated by his "Spici" printed above, and thought best to do his duty in reporting the details of the Governor's recent visit. Most decent people show respect to persons of renown, regardless of party affiliation, otherwise we would not endure the embarrassment of even mentioning the name of the illustrious (?) Thrifty. Like the notorious character in "Huckelberry Finn," Col. Thrifty "bowed his neck and spread," endeavoring to sling mud over the entire district, but was prevented by the good sense of the editor in not printing his most debasing allusions to some of our towns people, any of whom are his superiors, mentally, morally and physically. The Governor very graciously accepted an invitation to stop at the cottage hotel on his way to Jamestown, in order that the invalid wife of the proprietor might have the pleasure of meeting him. Did anybody ever hear of Col. Thrifty receiving a Governor into his home? To say the least, Gov. Beckham was shown all the courtesy due a gentleman of his standing while sojourning here, being visited by all of his supporters and many others who were glad to make an acquaintance with the distinguished gentleman. We suppose Col. Thrifty must have been a bit excited by the presence of even a small party of prominent men, it appears, as he is not accustomed to being in touch with men of prominence, hence his zig zag report of the event. Of course we would not accuse the Col.

of any over indulgence in the article, known as "o-be-joyful", which sometimes causes certain people to see things, but yet Mr. Thrifty saw what he termed a parade, made up of the two carriages occupied by the Governor and his escorts; but, as he is shy on counting and giving names correctly we excuse him for any mercenary motives he may have had. The judgment of the right Honorable Colonel Bill Thrifty on ages of people is like the niggers idea of a devil fish, "purty nigh none, sah," as he mentioned in his report "three old ladies at a cottage gate," when in reality the three referred to was a lady, a little girl and a baby. As implied by his name, Col. Thrifty is nothing, if not an expert perverter of facts, even going so far as to make two or three hundred people appear as a lonely party. But, perhaps the Colonel thought that the three hundred before him would make only about 40 of his own calibre, when in fact it is a 300 to 1 shot that it takes about 300 such men as Bill Thrifty to make one good, all round, everyday man.

F. W. Wade.

### DREAMER ON THE LEAVES.

In the wind-blown leaves of Autumn the children sang and played—their locks as golden as the leaves—their voices merry as the winds that sang the Harvest song. The last sigh of the faded Summer was but the echo of a dream—faint as the ripple of an unseen rill lost in dim vales of violets. And all day long the children played, and made bright garlands of the leaves—garlands of silver and of gold, till Twilight came, and sweet their mothers called them home. But One, with eyes that knew the Light of God and mirrored dreams of Heaven, so loved the leaves that, weary of the day, he laid him down to rest beneath their golden canopy. And the winds grew gentle, and sang him to sleep, and kissed the curls down over the dreaming eyes. And called a childish mother through the Twilight still: "Come home!—Come home!—Come home!" And then there came an echo from an Unseen Land—"Come home!—Come home!—Come home!" And the child dreamed of Home and God and all his angels read his dreams.

—Atlanta Constitution.

### AMERICA'S FUTURE CLIMATE.

On the whole the winters will become milder, the summers drier and dustier. Like the Nile, the lower Mississippi will protect its own, but the midland region of the great cotton belt will become as dry as a Kansas holiday. No irrigation will avail to undo all the mischief of what Parson Brownlow used to call "the run and ruin system of agriculture," the antebellum plan of wearing out the organic life of the district, and then pushing on to devastate the next. Some 12,000,000 acres of cotton lands were wasted in that manner, and now sigh to heaven in the form of barren bramble fields, torn by deep gullies and getting drier and gulchier from year to year. Springs are failing, and the migratory locust, the ominous harbinger of the desert, has made its appearance on the Atlantic coast plain. Drouths will become more frequent all over Eastern America.—National Magazine.

The Republicans of Lexington and Fayette county met in joint session Saturday and through their committee nominated only a partial ticket for the city and county officers. No opposition is offered to the Democratic nominations for the judicial offices, and even that of Mayor of the city was passed up. In fact, the only opposition put out is for State Senator, County Representative, City Treasurer, City Assessor and City Jailor, together with Aldermen, Councilmen and School Board, candidates being nominated for each of these. The session was a stormy one.

An article of extreme interest in the Woman's Home Companion for October is a history of "The United Daughters of the Confederacy." This is the first time that this institution has been fully treated in any magazine. It is amply illustrated with photographs of the more prominent Southern women, and contains an introduction by Mrs. Jefferson Davis. Published by the Crowell Publishing Company, Springfield, Ohio; one dollar a year; ten cents a copy.

Godfrey Hunter to the front; Bradley to the rear! What do the Republicans of Kentucky think of that?

## BELKNAP'S BUSINESS METHODS.

Morris B. Belknap is vice-president, and a large stockholder in the W. B. Belknap Company, a corporation of the city of Louisville, engaged in the hardware business. In the year 1899 Morris B. Belknap and the other officials of the said company, were indicted in the U. S. Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Texas, for having fraudulently shipped to Beaumont, Texas, in violation of the Inter-State Commerce Law, several car loads of mixed hardware, guns, ammunition and divers articles, and with having fraudulently, unlawfully and knowingly made a false entry of the nature and character of the goods so shipped, stating it to be wagon material in the rough.

The U. S. Court in Texas decided that it did not have jurisdiction of the offense, which, it was held, was committed in Kentucky, at the point of shipment; consequently the indictments were dismissed in Texas.

At the February term, 1900, three indictments were returned in the U. S. Circuit Court at Louisville, against John W. Price, secretary of the W. B. Belknap Company. Each indictment charged that the said Price, acting for and on behalf of W. B. Belknap Company, shipped to Beaumont, Texas, a car load of mixed hardware, guns and ammunition, and unlawfully, knowingly and fraudulently made a false entry of the nature and character of the goods so shipped, stating the same to be wagon material, in the rough, when in truth and in fact, said shipment consisted of guns, ammunition and hardware.

The rate on rough wagon material from Louisville to Beaumont, Texas, was 48 cents per hundred. Assuming a car to carry 50,000 pounds, the average load, the charge for shipment per car would be \$240.00.

Each of these cars were actually loaded with hardware, glass and ammunition. The rate on hardware was \$1.21, on guns \$1.41 and on ammunition \$1.21. The average rate would be \$1.28, which would make the charges on each car, if properly billed, from Louisville to Beaumont, \$600.00. By shipping the goods as wagon material the Belknap Co., saved \$400.00 on each car.

A plea of guilty was entered in the court at Louisville to two indictments and a fine of \$1,000 fixed in one case and \$500 in another. The third indictment was filed away.

Do the people of Kentucky desire, as their Chief Executive, a man who does not know the difference between a car load of hardware, guns and ammunition, and a car loaded wagon material in the rough? Do they desire a "business" administration conducted upon such lines?

Theodore Maxfield & Brother, of Batesville, Ark., was another customer of W. B. Belknap & Company. In order to investigate the charge of the shipment of goods under improper classification by Belknap & Company to Maxfield & Brother, Charles L. Wilson, buyer for this latter firm, was summoned to appear before the Federal Grand Jury, in Louisville, Ky., and bring the invoices of goods purchased from, and the bills of lading for the goods shipped by Belknap & Company.

Wilson appeared at Louisville, Ky., in obedience to this summons, and brought the Belknap invoices and bills of lading with him. J. W. Price, who was secretary of the Belknap Company, was indicted in the U. S. Circuit Court, at Louisville, for "unlawfully, knowingly, feloniously and corruptly obstructing and impeding by threats and force," the due administration of justice in the said court by causing and inducing Theodore Maxfield, "to covertly obtain possession of the said invoices and copies of bills of lading, from the possession of Charles J. Wilson, he, the said Charles J. Wilson, was asleep, and deliver possession of same to him, the said J. W. Price, and the said J. W. Price did then and there take possession of the said invoices and bills of lading and by force and arms refuse to take, or permit said Charles L. Wilson, or any other person to take them to or file them before or submit them, or any of them, as evidence to said jury."

To this grave charge J. W. Price, "In open court, confessed himself guilty." He was fined \$500 for this interference with the administration of justice.

J. W. Price was the secretary, and Morris B. Belknap the vice-president of the Belknap Company, in 1899, at

the time the events referred to occurred. Price is still the secretary and Morris B. Belknap is still the vice-president of said company.

The people of Kentucky are entitled to know whether Morris B. Belknap had knowledge, at the time the events transpired, that J. W. Price, Secretary of his company, unlawfully, corruptly and feloniously obstructed the investigation by the Federal Grand Jury of the unlawful shipment of goods to Batesville, Arkansas, by causing Maxfield to forcibly take from a sleeping witness the invoices and bills of lading, upon which an indictment was sought against the Belknap Company. If he did not the fact at the time it transpired, after receiving knowledge of it, has he not allowed J. W. Price to remain as Secretary of the Belknap Company and associate with him as a business man?

The people of Kentucky are entitled to know if it is not true that the Belknap Company, of which Morris B. Belknap was and is Vice-President, did all the fines, aggregating \$2,000 adjudged against J. W. Price for this fraudulent shipment and unlawful interference with the due administration of justice?

The people of Kentucky are entitled to know if, notwithstanding these self-confessed fraudulent acts on the part of Price, Morris B. Belknap has not retained him as Secretary of the Belknap Company?

The people of Kentucky are entitled to know if these are the business methods of Morris B. Belknap, and whether, if elected Governor of Kentucky he would apply like methods to the administration of the affairs of the Commonwealth?

### STATE NEWS.

The State Fair opened at Owensboro Monday and will continue through the week.

Miss Hester Hendrickson, of Fleming county, committed suicide by taking poison. No cause assigned.

Congressman Vincent Boreling died at his home in London, Wednesday morning of pneumonia. He was ill but a few days.

The eighteenth reunion of the famous Orphan Brigade will be held in Louisville, September 29. The reunion will cover but one day.

Solomon Spratt, aged eighty-one, of Garrard county, committed suicide by shooting himself. He was probably the oldest man in the locality and no cause is assigned for the act.

The trial of Curtis Jett, for the assassination of James Cockrell, at Jackson, is in progress at Cynthiana. Judge Osborne overruled motions for a continuance and change of venue.

Moses McDonald, a deaf mute, aged 16 years, while walking along the track of the Cincinnati Southern railroad near Danville Wednesday afternoon, was struck by a train and instantly killed.

Five thousand people heard Mrs. Carrie Nation speak at Hopkinsville last week. A considerable part of her speech was given to an attack on the Republican party and the present administration.

Out of thirty-eight counties which pay more revenue into the State treasury than they take out, all but five are Democratic. Most of the pauper counties, or those that take more from the State treasury than they pay in, are Republican.

James Kincaid, of Danville, died while seated in a chair reading a paper. His family were not aware of his death until an hour afterward, as he was holding the paper in his hand and apparently dozing when found. His death is supposed to have been due to apoplexy.

Charles Green, an eye-witness to the murder of James Cockrell, who was captured in Fayette county by sheriff McChord, of Clark county, after threatening to shoot the officer, was placed on the stand at Cynthiana Friday and stated that he saw Jett and two other men fire from the courthouse window the shots that killed Cockrell.

The Gobel murder conspiracy cases against W. S. Taylor, Chas. Finley, John Powers and others were called on the criminal docket in the Franklin Circuit Court last week and continued and bench warrants issued. It is not thought that the grand jury for this term will make any investigation into these cases or return further indictments.

## FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

DEPEW, N. C., Sept. 17, 1903.

Editor of News:

I see from your columns that Rollin Hurt is a candidate for Judge. Well, I hope he will land, and tender congratulations in advance. I remember him as an old chum, and a wonderful boy orator. Then, I think Judge Hurt has a very healing and melodious ring. You see I was something of a Judge myself, as far as the title is concerned; but Rollin's is of a judicial cast, and his experience at the bar has eminently qualified him for the position. Now if he jumps up and states in your columns that he was never a friend of mine—merely a "passing acquaintance," I'll not be surprised if Stingo Gaddery, Zachariah Hectros Bennett, et al. likewise.

I reckon I can claim Alex. Jones and Albert Bomar for friends, as they seem to be unable to enter denial. Seriously, I would be glad to hear from all those people about whom I have inquired. I wish them no harm, and shall try to not write anything that seriously affects their character or impairs their usefulness. They should remember that greatness has its drawbacks, and one of them is to be placed in a ridiculous position before the public.

Consider Teddy Roosevelt, how he toils not, neither does he spin; yet Solomon in all his glory was never accused of eating with Booker Washington. Then look at W. J. Bryan, the peerless "boy orator" of the west. I have seen cartoons of him, and read assaults that placed him considerably lower than the angels. And he has been lampooned and excooriated by "Pitchfork" Ben, Tilman, Col. Henry Watterson, etc., and I have yelled amen! at every attack.

You people back there don't feel just as I do in the matter. There is a good deal of romance and sentiment in my nature, and sometimes I grow reminiscent, and would like to see any thing or any body from Kentucky. Why I'd give ten dollars more for a horse on that account, and if a tramp dog were to come this way I'd be his good Samaritan, even if he had been the property of Jo Burpo or Lish Bennett. Do you know I'd be really glad to see Jo Burpo or Lish Bennett? Why two years ago, at Charlotte, N. C., I met a Kentuckian from Adair county, and I talked him to death. I learn he is still a corpse. Nine years ago, in Virginia, I met another Kentuckian from Green county. He was going beyond where I had to change cars, and I think he managed to pull through but it was a narrow escape.

You see I am not much missed in Kentucky, but I miss every body I ever knew. Speaking of titles, office, etc., I see Lucien Hurt is a Colonel by habit. Shake, Lucien, for I am also a Colonel, albeit I never spread carnage and consternation in my path.

When the Spanish American war broke out I was a sharp-shooter in "The Cherry Mountain Buttermilk Rangers." We had 27 Colonels, 28 Captains, 6 Majors, and all the rest were corporals and sergeants except Jason Withrow and myself. Jason is six feet two, and I am five feet ten. Jason weighs 260 and myself 190. When the command was given, "Form in columns of fours," Jason and myself made one column. When war was declared, all the Majors, Colonels, Captains, etc. became plain Mister, and I was Colonel. But I never hurt the Spaniards, and they let me escape. I have since been known as Colonel Corn Cracker, by the press of the State, but I am a man of peace.

MELVIN L. WHITE.

There promises to be a lively contest in the Eleventh Congressional district for the official shoes of the dead Boreling. No Democrat need apply. The district is hopelessly Republican.

Tom Johnson may not win out, but he is determined to make Herrick know there's something doing between the start and the finish.

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Cotton Belt Route,  
St. Louis, Mo.

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